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SUBJECT: GDR HUMANITARIAN CASES: REVIEW OF CERTAIN CASES WITH GDR  
MFA CONSULAR DEPARTMENT.

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1. ON AUGUST 24, EMBOFF (WOLF) CALLED AT HIS REQUEST ON CON-  
SULAR DEPARTMENT MFA (GRAHLE AND KOLASA) TO DISCUSS SELECTED  
CASES LISTED BELOW.

A. "FIRST LIST" - PETRA E. HANDAU, PETER HENZE, RUDI AND  
ELVIRA MARX, VERONIKA AND RAINER PROTSCH, OLGA SCHNEIDER, AND  
SWETLANA VERENA STODDER.

B. "SECOND LIST" - THE BRUECKNER FAMILY, BERNDT W. DAUME,  
KARIN FISCHER, ROSWITHA JOPKE AND CHILDREN, GOTTFRIED KORN,  
AND ANNEGRET ERIKA SANDMANN.

C. "OTHER CASES" - ALBERT HARTMANN AND FAMILY, MRS.  
GERTRUD STOEHR AND MR. MICHAEL KUNST.

2. EMBOFF BEGAN BY NOTING THAT THE USG AND THE EMBASSY  
WERE EQUALLY CONCERNED ABOUT ALL PENDING CASES BEFORE THE  
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GDR BUT WERE RAISING THESE CASES BECAUSE THEY APPEARED

TO BE PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT TO RESOLVE. HE THEN HANDED MESSRS. GRAHLE AND KOLASA COPIES OF A "NON-PAPER" DIVIDING THE CASES TO BE DISCUSSED INTO THE CATEGORIES LISTED IN PARA 1. ABOVE AND GAVE NAMES OF GDR PRINCIPAL, RELATIONSHIP TO US PRINCIPAL, AND DATE AND NUMBER OF LAST EMBASSY NOTE ON SUBJECT CASE. AN ORAL REVIEW OF THE STATUS OF EACH CASE, INsofar AS THE EMBASSY KNEW IT, WAS THEN GIVEN.

3. EMBOFF CONCLUDED BY NOTING THAT THE GDR REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY INQUIRIES AND REPRESENTATION ON SUCH CASES BE DIRECTED TO THE MFA ONLY AND NOT TO MINISTRY OF INTERIOR, VOLKSPOLIZEI, OR CITY OR DISTRICT COUNCILS. HE SAID THAT, ALTHOUGH CUMBERSOME IN TERMS OF PRACTICAL PROGRESS IN THESE CASES, THIS PERHAPS HAD ONE ADVANTAGE. THE RECIPIENTS, I.E. MFA OFFICIALS, WERE WELL-INFORMED OF THE SIGNIFICANCE THE USG, THE CONGRESS, AND AMERICAN PUBLIC OPINION PLACED ON POSITIVE AND PROMPT RESOLUTION OF SUCH CASES IN TERMS OF THE FRUITFUL FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL RELATIONS.

4. GRAHLE AND KOLASA ACCEPTED THE "NON-PAPER", PROMISED TO REVIEW THE CASES "THOROUGHLY" (SORGFAELTIG), TOOK NOTE OF EMBOFF'S STATEMENT, AND INFERRED THEY WOULD TRANSMIT RESULTS OF THEIR "INVESTIGATIONS" WHEN COMPLETED TO THE EMBASSY. GRAHLE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE MFA WAS THE ONLY APPROVED POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE EMBASSY

ON THESE CASES AND TOOK NOTE OF THE EMBOFF'S COMMENT IN PARA 3. ABOVE.

5. COMMENT: GRAHLE AND PARTICULARLY KOLASA (WHO IS GRAHLE'S SUBORDINATE) INDICATED FAIRLY DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL CASES. THEY WERE BOTH FRIENDLY BUT NON-COMMITTAL COMMITTAL ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE TALK. WE PROPOSE TO FOLLOW UP THIS MEETING REGULARLY AND, FROM TIME TO TIME, PRESENT OTHER "NON-PAPERS" ON CASES GIVING PARTICULAR DIFFICULTY. OUR REGULAR PROGRAM OF NOTES AND ORAL REPRESENTATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL CASES WILL, OF COURSE, ALSO BE CONTINUED. COOPER  
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